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1. FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION AT APPROXIMATELY
5:00 A.M. ON JUNE 16, 1978, THE SECURITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED
UNTIL 4:00 P.M. WHEN IT RESUMED DEBATE TO HEAR STATEMENTS
FROM THE PARTIES AND SC MEMBERS. HIGHLIGHTS ARE PROVIDED
AS FOLLOWS.

2. CYPRUS FM ROLANDIS BEFORE OUTLINING RECENT HISTORY OF
CYPRUS PROBLEM STATED THAT THE SUBSTANTIVE ASPECTS OF THE
CYPRUS PROBLEM SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT A SEPARATE MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL AT WHICH TIME THE COUNCIL SHOULD ADOPT
THE PRACTICAL MEANS TO ENFORCE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF UN
RESOLUTIONS ON CYPRUS. ROLANDIS DID NOT INDICATE A TIME
FOR THIS SEPARATE SC DEBATE, BUT NOTED THAT THE GOC RE-
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SERVES THE RIGHT TO GO BEFORE THE COUNCIL TO ASK THAT
"EFFECTIVE MEASURES BE TAKEN BY IT UNDER THE RELEVANT
PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER, INCLUDING ENFORCEMENT
MEASURES UNDER CHAPTER VII FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ITS
OWN RESOLUTIONS."

3. TURNING TO THE INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS, ROLANDIS

NOTED THAT THE "INTERNATIONAL ISSUE OF AGGRESSIVE OCCUPATION BY TURKEY OF TERRITORY OF CYPRUS IS NOT A SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION, NOR DO THE UN RESOLUTIONS REFER TO ANY NEGOTIATION REGARDING THE TERRITORIAL ASPECT." IN CONCLUDING HIS REMARKS, ROLANDIS REITERATED PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU'S PROPOSALS FOR DEMILITARIZATION AND DISARMAMENT OF CYPRUS.

4. FOLLOWING A RELATIVELY LOW-KEY STANDARD STATEMENT OF POSITION BY GREEK PERM REP PAPOULIAS, WHO ASSERTED THAT "A LOT OF CONFUSION HAS BEEN DELIBERATELY CREATED (WITH REGARD TO THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSALS) FOR PURPOSES THE COUNCIL IS FULLY AWARE OF", RAUF DENKTASH ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL. DENKTASH PROVIDED BACKGROUND FROM THE TURKISH CYPRIOT POINT OF VIEW OF CONDITIONS IN CYPRUS FROM 1963 TO 1974. IN EMPHASIZING THAT A SOLUTION COULD ONLY COME THROUGH DIALOGUE, HE STATED THAT THE TURKISH SIDE IS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE ANYWHERE, WITHOUT AN AGENDA AND IS PREPARED TO CONSIDER COUNTERPROPOSALS.

5. TURKISH PERM REP TURKMEN NEXT EMPHASIZED THE TURKISH SIDE'S WILLINGNESS TO RESUME THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, WHILE THE GREEK CYPRIOTS WERE REJECTING THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS. HE REFERRED TO PM ECEVIT'S SUGGESTION OF MEETING WITH GREEK PM CARAMANLIS, ALONG WITH KYPRIANOU AND DENKTASH, AND KYPRIANOU'S REJECTION OF THIS SUGGESTION.
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(DENKTASH HAD ALSO REFERRED TO SYG'S EFFORTS TO GET ALL PARTIES TOGETHER.) TURKMEN ADDED THAT HE COULD NOT ACCEPT SC RES 430 IN ITS ENTIRETY OWING TO THE PREAMBULAR REFERENCE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS, AN ENTITY THAT "DOES NOT EXIST IN LAW OR IN PRACTICE."

6. SC MEMBERS FOLLOWED WITH BRIEF STATEMENTS. RESOLVING THE CYPRUS PROBLEM THROUGH INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS WAS UNDERLINED BY CANADA, FRANCE, FRG, KUWAIT, US (SEPTEL), AND UK. VENEZUELA URGED THE PARTIES TO COME TOGETHER BUT SUPPORTED DETAILED SC CONSIDERATION OF THE PROBLEM. CHINA CASTIGATED SUPER-POWER INTERFERENCE IN CYPRUS AND SUPPORTED SETTLEMENT THROUGH THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, WHILE EXPLAINING ITS NON-PARTICIPATION IN THE SC VOTE IN TERMS OF ITS POSITION ON UN PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS. CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND USSR CALLED AGAIN FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

7. NIGERIA ASKED WHETHER IT WAS BECAUSE CYPRUS HAS NO MINERALS AND RAW MATERIALS "AND THE ECONOMY OF THE WESTERN WORLD IS NOT THREATENED THAT THOSE WHO SHORE UP CERTAIN REGIMES HAVE NOT FOUND IT NECESSARY

TO PREVENT THE SIDMEMBERMENT OF CYPRUS?" HE REGRETTED THAT AT THE NATO SUMMIT MEETING THOSE POWERS WHO CREATED CYPRUS PROBLEM AND PROFESS TO BE PEACELOVERS WERE NOT ABLE TO BRING ABOUT A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM BUT "DEVOTED THEIR ENERGY TO THE FORMULATION OF A STRATEGY FOR RECOLONIZING AND SUBJUGATING THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA AND ITS PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THEIR SELF-CENTERED ECONOMIC INTEREST - AND ALL THIS WITH AN ARROGANT DISREGARD OF THE SOVEREIGN GOVERNMENTS OF AFRICA AND OF THEIR REGIONAL ORGANIZATION."

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8. INDIA OBSERVED THAT THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS ARE HOPELESSLY DEADLOCKED; "THE TIME MAY BE RIPE FOR THE COUNCIL ITSELF TO EXAMINE THE DEADLOCK AND THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS IN DEPTH.....IT IS UNREALISTIC TO KEEP ON CALLING FOR THE RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNITITES WITHOUT FIRST DISCOVERING AND ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATE AND REALISTIC BASIS FOR THE NEGOTIATIONS." HE MADE POINT OF COMMENDING GOC FOR ITS PROPOSAL ON DEMILITARIZATION OF CYPRUS. RIGHTS OF REPLY WERE EXERCISED BY CYPRUS (50 MINUTE HARANGUE BY PERM REP ROSSIDES), GREECE, TURKEY AND MR. DENKTASH. LATTER SAID WITH REGARD TO DEMILITARIZING CYPRUS THAT IF CYPRUS AS A WHOLE IS TO BE DISARMED THE TURKISH SIDE, WHEN THE DIALOGUE BEGINS BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNITIES, WILL NOT HESITATE TO AGREE IF THE QUESTION IS PUT FAIRLY AND REASONABLY.
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